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GENERAL AND REVENUE SECRETARIAT.

Serial Nos. 4

Part B for April 1926

SUBJECT

Management of the Sri Siddaleingeswara Swami Temple at Yedigur, Kunigal Taluk

To the Mag: Coun.
G.O. No. 1323 of 17-4-26

Records the correspondence ending with M. C's letter no. C-350 of 1925-26 of 3-4-26 on the subject.

GENERAL AND REVENUE SECRETARIAT.

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NOTES.

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FILE HEADING.

Better management of the temple of Siddalingeswara-swamy at Yedigur, Kunigal Taluk, and improvement of the temple building and its surroundings.

From

J. Rudrappa, President of the Veerasaiva Conference Kunigal Session, Yedigur —

No. Dated 29-8-25 — Received 31-8-25 —

Diary No. 286	Enclos 1	Spare Copies	Serial No. 1

BRIEF ABSTRACT OF LETTER.

Forwards the resolutions passed by the Conference and requests that the managt. of the above temple may be set right, that improvements may be effected to the temple buildings, that facilities be created to the pilgrims & the archak's fees may also be improved

NOTES AND ORDERS.

The Resolution [illegible]

1) present [illegible] recess to the [illegible]

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4) Mean Send Schedule of Rs 15 to Edn & Prot Branches & [illegible].

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5) [illegible]

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9) On perusal before issue

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2. To Mus Comnr.

11) Issue 15/9/25

No 372 of 30.9.25

Forwards ~~the~~ copy of the letter for needful action and calls for report on the action taken

For the Mysore Comnr.

3. No. C 350 of 1925-26 of the 3rd April 1926

Forwards a detailed report of action taken or proposed to be taken by the Dy Comnr. Tumkur on the resolutions of the Veerasaiva Conference held at the Municipal Session on 16th August 1925 in respect of the management of the Sri Siddalingeswara Swamy temple at Yedigur, Kunigal Taluk.

12) The Dy Comnr's report clearly explains the action taken categorically on each of the resolutions of the Conference (except the 14th [illegible] was.)

13) There is no item in which action is sought in the Mysore dept is now called for. The receipt of the estimate for the construction of a

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will be awaited.

14) Subd. with a draft recording, for approval or d...

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4 To,

Mess Commr S.O. No 1323 dt 17.4.2

Records the above

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RUDRAPPA, M.A., LL.B.,
Advocate
Member, Legislative Council & Representative Assembly

TUMKUR

1929.

To,
The Chief Secretary to the Government of
H. H. the Maharaj of Mysore -
Bangalore.

Dy. Mr
30. AUG. 1925
R. SECRET.

From
J. Rudrappa.
Advocate. Tumkur.

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31/8 -

Sir,

I, as President of the Veerasaiva Conference, Kunigal session held at Yedeyur on the 11th August 1925, have the honour to forward herewith the resolutions passed, and most respectfully request you to pass such orders as are necessary to set matters right regarding the management of the temple, improvements to be made to the buildings, facilities to be granted to the pilgrims and remuneration to the Archakas. I may here mention that there is a Muzrai fund of nearly Rs 9000/- belonging to the temple.

Thanking you,

I beg to remain
Sir
Your Obedient Servant

27th August 1925.
Tumkur.

The Veerasaiva Conference Kunigal session, held at Yedeyur on the 16th August 1925, under the presidency of Mr J. Rudrappa, M A LL B, M L C, Tumkur passed the following resolutions, and the president was authorised to communicate the same to the Government authorities and do the needful in the matter

Resolutions.

The management of the Temple of Sree Siddalingeswara Swamy at Yedeyur

This Conference views with great dissatisfaction the action of the Parupathegar in having allowed on his own responsibility the School being held in the premises of the temple, thereby causing annoyance to the devotees and defiling the Sanctity of the temple.

2 That the action of the Parupathegar, in not having disbursed to the archakas, the grant of Rs 2/- set apart for the worship of Ganapathy, is against Pharmasastra and is highly objectionable

3 The Parupathegar being a man of a different community, and having no access to the inside of the temple, is neither able to see nor to understand whether the religious rites, according to Veerasaiva Dharma, are closely observed, and his unnecessary and frequent interference in religious matters has caused great annoyance to the devotees. For these reasons the Conference unanimously resolves to see that the present man is removed, and another of Veerasaiva Community should be replaced.

Note - This matter has been brought to the notice of the Government both in the Legislative Council and in the Press.

4. The devotees of the temple being mostly Veerasaiva faith it is necessary that at least 2/3 of the Dharmadarsis of the temple should be of Veerasaiva Community

5 That an Agamic of Veerasaiva faith be appointed to perform the religious rites in the temple

Improvements to the temple

6 That the Deputy Commissioner be requested to advise the Engineering department to get completed the repairs which were entrusted to the Contractor three years back as otherwise considerable damage would be caused to the temple

7 That the Pratahanavanu (ಪ್ರತಾಹನವನು) and the Sankranti (ಸಂಕ್ರಾಂತಿ) mantapas be got repaired immediately as otherwise they are likely to come down shortly

8 The new well near the temple, and the dilapidated mantapas around the temple be got repaired soon

9. That steps be constructed to go to the top of the mantapas surrounding the temple as the procession of the deity will have to be conducted thereon.

10. That an uppange (ಉಪಾಂಗ) with steps be constructed to facilitate the Swami being seated on the car

11 That a tiled shed be erected for sheltering the car in place of the existing straw shed which entails great danger of catching fire and the trouble of constant repairs

Facilities to the Pilgrims

12 With a view to remove the great inconvenience to the Pilgrims both at the Jatra season and at other times that a road of nearly a mile from the ~~[illegible]~~ Bangalore - Mangalore Road to the temple and a road of nearly 2 furlongs from the Shamsha river to the temple be opened by the Government and the maintainence be looked after by the District Board

13 Archakas:- As the Inam lands given to

to the archakas, are not yielding much produce and the lands are divided, amongst 12 families and as most of the lands are Kharab consisting of topes, puts, etc it is necessary that monthly salaries be instituted to the archakas who will be in charge of the temple

14 This Conference unanimously resolves that the Govt of H H the Maharaja of Mysore be requested to give immediate effect to the resolution passed by the overwhelming majority at the Dasara session of the Representative assembly 1924, regarding the admission of Students of all communities into the Mysore Sanskrit College

15 This conference further prays the Government of H H the Maharaja of Mysore that early steps be taken to prevent cow slaughter in the State and the memorial submitted to H H the Maharaja of Mysore by the Gorakshana Mandali of Bangalore be favourably considered

16. That these resolutions be forwarded to the Deputy Commissioner Tumkur, District, Mysore Commissioner and the Government, and the President is requested to do the needful in the matter

J. Rudrappa
President
The Veerasaiva Conference -
Kunigal Session,
Yedeyur
16th Aug 1925.

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SUBJECT

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General and Revenue Secretariat

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File No.

Serial No.

No. 372/Ex

To

The Hon'ble Com'r in Mysore
Bangalore.

Sir,

I am directed to forward herewith, for ~~disposal~~ necessary action, if necessary, a copy of G.O. 29-8-25 from Mr. Anbai in Favour of the Veerashaiva Conference, Kunigal Session.

a copy of the resolutions passed by the Conference in respect of the management of Sri Siddalingeswara Swami at Yadiyur. The action taken may be reported for the info of Govt.

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No.C 350 825-26 Office of the Muzrai Commissioner in Mysore.
enclosed one file

Dated Bangalore, 3rd April 1926.

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From

B. Ramaswamaiya, Esq., P.A., B.L.,
Muzrai Commissioner in Mysore,
Bangalore.

GENL. & REV. SECTN.
Br.
6. APR 1926
G. D. SECTION.

To

B. Srinivasa Iyengar, Esq., P.A., B.L.,
Secretary to the Government of
His Highness the Maharaja of Mysore,
Revenue Department.

Sir,

With reference to your letter No.372/Muz.91-25-2 dated 30th September 1925 forwarding for needful action copy of resolutions passed by the Veerasaiva Conference at the Kunigal Session on 16th August 1925 in respect of the management of the Sri Siddalingeswara Swamy temple at Yediyur, Kunigal Taluk and requesting to report --- the action taken, I have the honor to submit herewith copy of a -- detailed report received with the Tumkur District Deputy Commissioner' letter No.H.C.192 of 25-26 dated 20th February 1926 in respect of each of the resolution passed by the Conference.

A set of Dharmadarsis has been appointed for the institution. Vide Government Order No.1158/Muz.127-25-4 dated 10th March 1926.

In re the construction of a car shed the estimate for Rs.3000/- received from the Deputy Commissioner has been prepared by the Sanitary Inspector. It will be sent up to Government through the Chief ---- Engineer after getting it scrutinised by the Public Works Department.

The other enclosures to the Deputy Commissioner's letter are herewith submitted for reference and kind return.

I have the honor to be,
Sir,
Your most obedient servant,

B. Ramaswamaiya

Muzrai Commissioner.

Letter No.H.C.192/25-26 dated 20th February 1926 from the Deputy Commissioner, Tumkur District to the Muzrai Commissioner in Mysore.

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"With reference to your letter No.C.350/25-6 dated the 7th October 1925, and in continuation of my D.O.letter No.T.207-25-26 dated the -- 12th February 1926, submitting a memo giving answers to the interpellations brought by Mr. J. Rudrappa to be answered at the ensuing meeting of the Legislative Council, I have the honor to report as follows on the ------ resolutions passed by the Veerasaiva Conference, Kunigal, in respect of the management of the temple of Sri Siddalingeswaraswamy at Yediyur:--

2. 15 resolutions have been passed on various matters. The first three resolutions relate to the action of the Parpathegar of the temple in certain matters, and propose the appointment of a Parpathegar of the Veerasaiva community after removing the present man who is a Brahmin, from office. Resolution 4 sets forth that at least 2/3 of the total number of Dharmadarsis of the temple should be of the Veerasaiva community - and No.5 proposes the entertainment of an Agamic of the Veerasaiva community to perform the religious rites in the temple. - Resolutions 6 to 12 deal with the question of repairs and improvements to the temple ---- buildings, formation of roads etc., No.13 proposes the payment of --- archaks' remuneration in cash instead of land Inams which they are now enjoying. Resolutions 14 and 15 do not call for any action by this -- office.

3. The Amildar Mr. Ramaiah Naidu to whom the above resolutions were sent for report, has recorded the statement of the present Parapathegar Krishna Iyengar, on all the points raised in the first three resolutions and this statement is filed in the records. The Parpathegar's statement and the Amildar's report go to show that the Parpathegar was not ------- responsible for the location of the school in one of the outer varandahs of the temple as alleged in the first resolution. The school was --- allowed to be held therein, with the permission of the previous Deputy Commissioner which was given after ascertaining that there was no ~~xxxxx~~ objection for it, on the part of any of the devotees and the village -- committee members of the place. But however, it is reported that the holding of the school in the temple premises has been discontinued since October last.

4. In regard to resolution 2, that the action of the Parpathegar was wrong in not disbursing to the archaks the grant of Rs.2/- set - apart for the worship of Ganapathy, it is stated that from the year --

year 1904, one Dharmabhatta used to worship Ganapathy every year and received the grant of Re.1/- set apart for the purpose, that after - his death, his son used to worship and receive the grant, and that in August 1922, at a meeting of the Dharmadarsis of the temple, it was proposed that Longayets should worship Ganapathy thenceforward, and receive the grant. It is as a result of this new question not ---- having been finally settled, that the grant ear-marked for Ganapathy pooja was not disbursed to anybody and the grant due for the years 1922-23 and 23-24 amounting to Rs.2/- was credited to muzrai funds. As the Dharmadarsis are reported to have expressed the view that --- Ganapathy should be worshipped by a Lingayet priest, and as the Pooja of the main deity of the institution is performed by a Lingayet, the Amildar will be directed to arrange for the worship of Ganapathy in future by a Lingayet.

5. Regarding the removal of the present Parpathegar who is a Sri Vaishnaya Brahmin on the score that he being a man of different community can have neither access to the inside of the temple nor can see or understand whether religious functions are conducted according to Veerasaiva Dharma etc., as urged in resolution No.3 it is reported by the Amildar that including 12 Archaks' houses there are only 17 - families belonging to the Veerasaiva community residing in the ----- village (vide list enclosed in the records), and that the neighbouring villages also contain but a small population of the said community. He further states that out of the total number of devotees only 25 are Lingayets the remaining 75% belonging to different communities that there has been no complaint or objection brought against the present Parpathegar, and that if a Lingayet Parpathegar is entertaine almost all the work during the car festival will suffer. The Amilda reports further that the present Parpathegar and his father before him have held this post for a long time during which time they have manage the temple affairs so satisfactorily that there has been an accumulation of funds to the extent of Rs.8235/- at the credit of this temple. The Amildar is of opinion that there are not sufficient reasons for the removal of the Parpathegar, and I agree with him.

6. As regards resolution No.4 that at least 2/3 of the total - number of Dharmadarsis should be of the Veerasaiva Community 9 names have been proposed by the Amildar and a proposal also has been submitted to you separately. Out of these, 5 are Lingayets, 3 are Vokkaligars

the other is a Brahmin. The representation of Lingayets is thus ----- adequate having regard to the fact that only 25% of the devotees are-- Lingayets.

7. With regard to resolution No.5 about the entertainment of an - Agamic of the Veerasaiva community, the Amildar reports that no agamic can be had locally and if an Agamic has to be brought from outside, it will mean much additional expenditure. Further, there will be no work for the Agamic every day. I agree with the Amildar and think that this new post is unnecessary.

8. Regarding the repairs and other improvements proposed resolutions 6 to 12, I beg to state that an estimate amounting to Rs.3030/- for -- repairing the main temple has already been sanctioned and the work - executed to the extent of Rs.1160/- through the Revenue Department. I am taking action to complete the work early through the Public -- Works Department. Several estimates have been prepared by the --- Amildar and submitted to me for sanction now. A list of such --- estimates is enclosed in the records. I shall scrutinise them -- and sanction such as are necessary and are within my powers of sanction. There is only one estimate which is beyond my power of sanction and that is the one for the construction of a carshed. The car of the temple is avery big one and is also valuable. It is necessary that it should be protected against wind and weather and a proper building for it is an urgent necessity. I request you to be so good as to -- sanction it.

9. Lastly-Inregard to the taking possession of the Inam lands from the archaks and fixing monthly salaries as proposed in resolution No.13 the Amildar reports that as the archaks did not cansent to such a ---- proposal, it was decided in 1905 that temple Inam lands should be left in their possession. He is of opinion that the existing arrangement may continue. I think the present arrangement may well be continued as the question of yield depends more or less upon the attention which the man in whose possession of land is, gives to them.

10. The connected records ending withthe Kunigal Taluk Amildar's No.O.C.214 dated the 10th December 1935 are enclosed for reference and early orders as you may deem fit in each case."

"C o p y"

Mugral Commissioner.

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Diary No. of letter replied to

Proceedings of the Government of His Highness the Maharaja of Mysore

GENERAL AND REVENUE SECRETARIAT.

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Date of issue 17/4/26

Signed by

READ—

Correspondence ending with letter No. C 350 of 1925-26 of the 3rd April 1926 from the Mr Commr in Mysore forwarding copy of Trustee Dr Dy Comr's letter No. W.C. 192 of 1925-26 of 20-2-26. reporting in detail action taken in respect of each of the resolutions passed by the Veerasaiva Conference held at

over.

ORDER THEREON.—No.

SUBJECT.

GPB—50,000—1-12-12

at ~~the~~ Kunigal Sessions on the 16th August 1925 in respect of the management of the Sri Siddalingeswara Swami temple at Yedehalli, Kunigal TK.

Order No. 1323.

Recorded.

The ~~Submission of the~~ Estimate for the construction of the car shed after scrutiny by Mr. C.W.D. - may be sent

Secretary to Govt.

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To ~~the~~ Murgai Commr. requesting the ~~Commissioner~~ with the Dy Commr. referred to above.